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Subject: RE: Gold King - La Plata County Costs

Thank you for your email. I have commented below.

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From: Sheryl Rogers [mailto:rogers@lpcattorney.org]
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Cinna, Andrea and Christine: I'm sending this email to all 3 of you because I am not entirely clear on the various roles so if it should be sent to other parties, please forward it on. I want to describe to you the grant/contract mechanisms that have been explained to me on my end to make sure we are on the same page. Cinna and I are attempting to schedule a conference call for tomorrow and some of the items will likely be covered then but at least this email will give us a head start. Based upon conversations with each of you and Martin Hestmark, I am expecting the following three funding instruments:

1. Initial response purchase order – I have not seen the language of the purchase order but I believe this PO will provide \$200,000 to La Plata County to reimburse us for our initial response costs. In this regard, from the date of the incident La Plata County has provided the EPA with a majority of the items listed on the attached statement of work in addition to other items such as food and law enforcement personnel. Please note that it is our expectation that the PO will address only the costs incurred by La Plata County and not other entities (see attached email). **I just spoke with the State and they are working on that Purchase Order now you will receive shortly. If you do not have it by 3:30 please let me know.**

2. Grant for Third Party Independent Analysis – Martin has discussed with us on several occasions the likely need for an independent third party consultant to confirm EPA's water quality data and to provide input on and monitor the clean up process. The County is in complete agreement and believes that our community will insist upon it given the circumstances. A scope of work and estimated costs for that grant are attached. It is imperative that we move quickly on this item for the sampling window to be relevant. This consultant has already been instrumental in assisting EPA in its identification of impacted wells and other items.

3. Cooperative Agreement – I'm uncertain if this agreement is between La Plata County and the EPA or La Plata County and CDPHE. Nevertheless, I believe this document will address the ongoing costs of the County outside of the scope items 1 and 2 above. Many of those items are set forth in the attached statement of work.

A cooperative agreement is a grant. Cooperative Agreement is the term we use when awarding funds to a State or Local Government Agency (political subdivision). That being said, the work you are describing in #2 would be included in the SOW for the Cooperative Agreement. I will take a look at the SOW you attached before our call tomorrow. By the way 3:00 is fine. The call in number is **Nonresponsive Conference Code**

Diane Sorensen (our County Finance Director), Joe Kerby (La Plata County Manager) and I look forward to discussing and finalizing these items with you.

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